

Appl. No.: 09/465,415

Amdt. dated: November 24, 2003

Reply to Office action of 08/28/2003

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

In response to the Office action of August 28, 2003, in which the Examiner issued a Restriction Requirement to claims 1-19, Group I and claims 20- 23, Group II, the applicant elects Group I comprising claims 1-19.

Please cancel claims 20-23 without prejudice.

The applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If the Examiner believes that for any reason direct contact with applicant's attorney would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number below.

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